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Residents may be able to return to Main Street Ellicott City homes earlier if certain criteria met

ELLICOTT CITY, MD – Ellicott City residents displaced by the July 30 flash flood may have an opportunity to return to their homes in the near future.

As residences are deemed safe for re-entry by county building and fire inspectors and structural engineers, Howard County Executive Allan H. Kittleman has asked that landlords reach out to their tenants when buildings can be reoccupied.

“We’re looking for opportunities to get people back into town,” said Kittleman. “If that can be accomplished safely and without interfering with our rebuilding process, then we’re going to make it happen.”

Kittleman stressed that access to the building not be from restricted areas and that there be a plan in place to prevent residents from accessing restricted areas, including parking outside the restricted areas. All utilities (water, sewer, electric and gas) must be restored before those are allowed to return.

Returning residents would also be required to wear Howard County government-issued credentials. Credentialing is still available daily at the Disaster Assistance Center, located in the Ellicott City 50+ Center, 9401 Frederick Road in Ellicott City. Hours are Monday-Wednesday from 2 – 7 p.m. and Thursday-Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to contact their landlords if they have not been in touch with them. For more information or assistance, call 410-313-2900.

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